## **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

inventor (if plural names are listed invention entitled:	below) of the subject matter where	one name is listed below) or an ori ich is claimed and for which a paten	t is sought on the
TRAGE DIC	ILAI AITAKA105		· · ·
the specification of which: (check one)			
	•		••
X (is attached hereto) was filed on			
	Serial No.	•	
and was amend		(if applicable)	
I hereby state that I have the claims, as amended by any amo		ontents of the above identified specifi	ication, including
I acknowledge the duty to accordance with Title 37, Code of		material to the examination of this a	pplication in
	listed below and have also ident	Jnited States Code, § 119 of any for ified below any foreign application too on which priority is claimed:	
Prior Foreign Application(s)			priority
2002-319680	Japan	01/11/2002	claimed X
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	yes no
(Number)	· (Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	yes no
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	yes no
below and, insofar as the subject a application in the manner provider to disclose material information as	natter of each of the claims of t 1 by the first paragraph of Title 3 defined in Title 37, Code of F	Code, § 120 of any United States aphis application is not disclosed in the 35, United States Code, § 112, I aclederal Regulations, § 1.56 which occational filing date of this application:	prior United States knowledge the duty curred between the
(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status: patented, pend	ling, abandoned)
W. Gibb, III, Reg. No. 37,629, a Patent and Trademark Office com 8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suit	s attorneys and/or agents to pros sected therewith. All correspond	point Sean M. McGinn, Reg. No. 34, ecute this application and transact all ence should be directed to McGinn 3817. Telephone calls should be directed to McGinn 5.4	l business in the & Gibb, PLLC,

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made in information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

oull Name of Sole out Inventor, If Any Masaru ISHIKAWA
nventor's Signature Masaru Ashikawa Date Oct . 2 . 2003
Residence Tokorozawa-City, Saitama, Japan
CitizenshipJapan
Post Office Address 2610, Hanazono 4-chome, Tokorozawa-City, Saitama, Ja
c/o Pioneer Tokorozawa Plant
Full Name of Second oint Inventor, If Any Takashi NAKANO
nventor's Signature <u>Jakashi Rakano</u> <u>Date Sep 29, 2003</u>
Residence Tokorozawa-City, Saitama, Japan
Japan Citizenship
Post Office Address 2610, Hanazono 4-chome, Tokorozawa-City, Saitama, J
Full Name of Third Oint Inventor, If Any Akira IMAMURA
Inventor's Signature Juin frameru Date Oct. 2. 2003
Residence Tokorozawa-City,/Saitama, Japan
CitizenshipJapan
Post Office Address 2610, Hanazono 4-chome, Tokorozawa-City, Saitama,
Japan, c/o Pioneer Tokorozawa Plant
Full Name of Fourth Joint Inventor, If Any
Inventor's Signature Date
Residence
Citizenship
Post Office Address
(An additional sheet(s) is/are attached hereto if the present invention includes more than four inventors.)

\*Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56:

- (a) A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith toward the Patent and Trademark Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is canceled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned.
- (b) Under this section, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made of record in the application, and (1) it establishes by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability; or (2) it refutes, or is inconsistent with, a position the applicant takes in: (i) opposing an argument of unpatentability relied on by the Office, or (ii) asserting an argument of patentability.